



TEAM COMMANDER RECERTIFICATION

Goal:


To recertify a Team Commanders capabilities in specialist rescue incident command at the operational level

Target group:

Personnel needing to recertify their Team Commander award.


Highlights:

- Comprehensive recertification for DEFRA Team Commanders.
- Focuses on practical command skills, including incident response and inter-agency coordination.
- Utilises table-top exercises to reinforce command strategies in real-world scenarios.



Team Commander Recertification DEFRA Module

Course length



8 hours (1 day)

Instructor




1:12

Period of validity




3 years

Certification



Outreach Rescue Certificate of Achievement

Venue



Any suitable classroom

Description

This 2-day course is designed for personnel needing to recertify their Team Commander award. It re-confirms delegates' command of a specialist rescue team at the operational level, covering incident management, risk management, communication, flood management, and search techniques.

Team Commander DEFRA Module is aimed at personnel who are current Team Commander holders and require recertification in order to command a team in the operational area. The DEFRA FRCO 2019 indicates that each team type should include at least one person trained as a Team Commander. This course provides update and refresher training as a Team Commander through classroom lectures, presentations and table-top exercises. Delegates will refresh their knowledge and demonstrate their knowledge of incident management considerations, roles and responsibilities, risk management, PPE, search management, the Civil Contingencies Act, incident planning including interpreting weather forecasts, media management, night operations, the challenges of risk appetite and mission creep, communication, incident response and stages, briefing and debriefing, welfare consideration and issues around scenes of crimes or body recoveries. Delegates are issued a pre-course reading list and are given a subject knowledge quiz to complete, which is reviewed throughout the course.

Compliance:

DEFRA Team Commander

Previous knowledge:

In-date Team Commander award or Equivalent (issued within 3 years)

Requirements:

Age 18+. Delegate will require a laptop computer

Progression:

Reassessment is recommended every 2 years by means of re-attending this course.

Theoretical elements:

- Classroom lectures and presentations covering incident management considerations, roles and responsibilities, risk management, PPE, search management, the Civil Contingencies Act, incident planning including interpreting weather forecasts, media management, night operations, the challenges of risk appetite and mission creep, communication, incident response and stages, briefing and debriefing, welfare consideration and issues around scenes of crimes or body recoveries.
- Delegates are issued a workbook and a personal reflection which is completed throughout the course and is assessed along with a short written examination.

Practical elements:

- Whilst this course is classroom based, practical table-top exercises are conducted to put the theory into practice through simulations to confirm learning.